

SOME NEW BOOKS.

An interesting publication issued from the Temperance Bureau at Bombay is "The Life and Life-work of Behramji M. Malabari," by Dayaram Gidmal, L. R., C. S. It is an account of the life and labors of a Parsi who has obtained wide celebrity in India as a social reformer. Malabari has devoted himself principally to the abuse of infant marriage among the Hindus, and the present volume contains a mass of facts and arguments illustrating that subject. As a matter of course, the reformer has had uphill work, and the fact that he is a follower of Zoroaster has rendered him peculiarly obnoxious to the Brahmins, who regard his crusade as an impertinent interference with one of their traditional and sacred usages. Both Malabari and his biographer understand English remarkably well, and while the latter occasionally employs words in an unusual or archaic sense, it is rarely that he makes any such gross blunders as the vernacular press of India has for many years amused Anglo-Indians with. Malabari is a cogent reasoner, an eloquent and impassioned speaker, and attacks infant marriage with persistent energy at every conceivable point. The copious illustrative anecdotes interwoven with his argument moreover throw much interesting light upon Hindu life and manners generally, and unquestionably support most strongly the position of the Parsi. The chronic agitator to all who were interested in the reform of Pundia Ramabai this volume may be specially commended.

From G. P. Putnam's Sons we have a new edition of "The Federalist," under the editorial supervision of Henry Cabot Lodge, who contributes an introduction dealing succinctly with the authorship, bibliography and text of this indispensable commentary upon the Constitution. The original text is that chosen by Mr. Lodge. This edition is rendered more accessible for reference purposes by an index, which, however, might be fuller, and would have been more conveniently arranged had the references under the same caption been separated instead of being lumped together.

A volume of essays, reprinted from magazines, by Agnes Repplier, under the title "Men and Books," comes from the press of Houghton, Mifflin & Co. The volume contains a series of essays, which may be gathered from some of the titles, viz.: "Children, Past and Present," "On the Benefits of Superstition," "The Decay of Sentiment," "Curiosities of Criticism," "Some Aspects of Pessimism." In speaking of the Pessimists, Miss Repplier undoubtedly hits the nail on the head in ascribing to those morbid persons a distinct enjoyment of what they are pleased to consider their (and the world's) hopeless condition. The essays in the volume are, generally speaking, fair examples of the magazine paper, but whether such literature is important enough to be given a permanent form is another question.

The Lippincott publish "Large Fortunes; or, Christianity and the Labor Problem," by Charles Richardson. There is nothing original in Mr. Richardson's treatment of the question. No doubt it is perfectly easy to show that the way of the world is not the way prescribed by the Founder of Christianity. But it is not so easy to demonstrate that the desire for wealth, which has in all times been the strongest bond of and incentive to civilization, could be eliminated without entailing such a sacrifice of human energy as would prevent by an end to all material progress, but spiritual advance.

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